

Concord, NH Solid Waste



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Concord, NH Solid Waste Program Accomplishments

- PAYT Program Introduction
 - Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) reduction
 - Increase in recycling
 - Reduced General Fund transfer
- MSW and Recycling Program Improvements
 - Single stream collection method
 - Split-body collection vehicles
 - DTSWD improvements
 - Curbside Christmas tree collections
 - Fall and Spring leaf collection
- Contract Negotiations/Cost Minimization
 - Reduced tip fees
 - Reduced collection costs
 - Risk-aversion on commodity marketing pays off

Solid Waste Program Improvements

- Introduction of single stream collection in 2012
- Weekly collection of MSW and recycling to EVERY Concord residence
- Improvements to the DTSWRD
 - Recycling options
 - Weekly container area clean ups
- Curbside Christmas tree collections
- Fall and Spring Leaf Collection
- Split-body collection vehicles



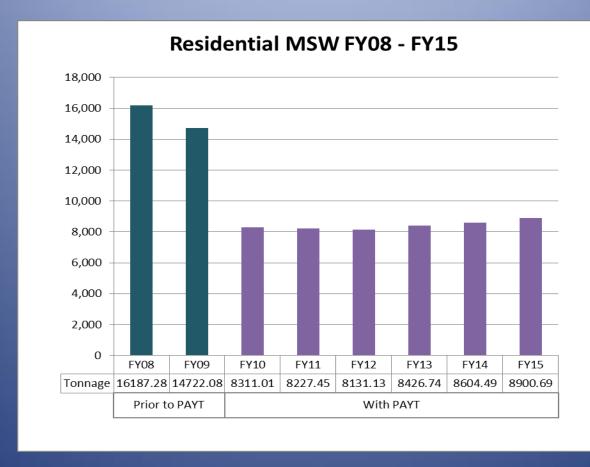
Contract Negotiations – Minimizing Costs

- Tip fee reduction (\$9/ton)
 - Savings of \$400,000 over 5 years
- Reduction of collection costs through renegotiation of contract in 2013
 - Savings of approximately \$500,000 per year
- Zero cost recycling management
 - Current contract at \$0 per ton for recyclables
- Risk-aversion to commodity marketing



Pay-As-You-Throw Impacts





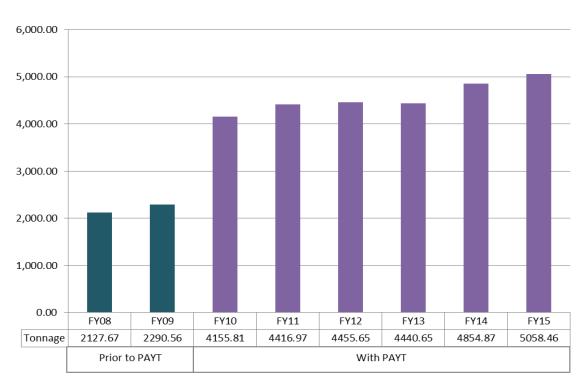
Every year with PAYT, residents have realized a savings of over \$400,000 through lower trash volumes alone.



Pay-As-You-Throw Impacts



Residential Recycling FY08 - FY15

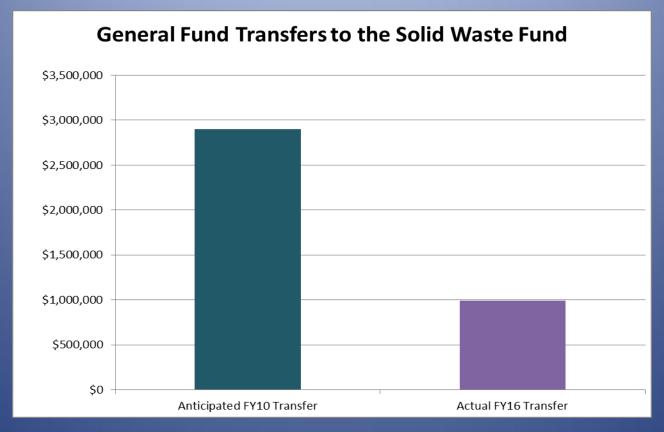


Every ton of material recycled by Concord residents saves the City \$58.36.



Pay-As-You-Throw Impacts





Without PAYT, taxes to residents and property owners would be nearly \$2 million dollars or 6% higher.

PAYT

(Why do we need a change now?)

If an increase is not implemented, the General Fund will have to support the Solid Waste Fund by an additional \$1 million by FY2020.

PAYT

- When PAYT was instituted in 2009, we said that prices would not increase over the first 4-5 years. This is year 7.
- PAYT remains the ideal user fee that allows residents to directly minimize the impact of the fee by recycling and composting to the greatest extent possible.
- It is time to reaffirm the desire to have PAYT revenues cover non-recycling related costs in the Solid Waste Fund.

SWAC Process and Recommendation

- Staff and SWAC Pricing Increase Considerations
 - Pricing paradigm
 - Potential advertising possibilities
 - Single bag or third bag options
 - Roll-out strategies
- SWAC recommends a pricing increase as of July 1, 2016
 - Proposed Small Bag Price = \$1.25
 - Proposed Large Bag Price = \$2.50
 - Proposed per Cubic Yard Price = \$4.375

Learn More!

- Outreach efforts include;
 - Annual Solid Waste Program mailer
 - YouTube video promoting diversion
 - Compost bins are available
 - www.concordnh.gov/solidwaste







Thank You!